

THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK

January Twenty-seventh
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To the Members of the
Central Presbyterian Church of
Newark, N. J.

Dear Christian Friends:

I wish to extend to you my heartiest congratulations on the occasion of your Centennial Anniversary. I am sorry that a preaching engagement makes it impossible for me to be present.

It has been my good fortune to have had the acquaintance of several of your Pastors, especially the Rev. Loyal Y. Graham, Jr., and also to know a number of your members. The record of the years of ministry of your Church is very praiseworthy. You have maintained the evangelical tradition of our Presbyterian faith and have carried on an aggressive ministry in a shifting community. I hope that the anniversary may give you stimulus to continue this ministry so as to advance the cause of Christ within the bounds of our community.

Praying God's richest blessing upon the officers and members of your Church,

I am most cordially yours,

Joseph Hunter

Stated Clerk.

JH:EA

Jan 20/37

Mr George F. Lingerman

Newark N. J.

Dear Brother

I gladly do as you ask.
I am grateful for your kind words
regarding myself. - The bone was
broken at the hip & it has been a
painful & long drawn out recovery.
I am beginning to walk now.

I certainly sympathize with you
in the loss of your pastor & pray
God's blessing on all your efforts
in the great work you are doing

Most cordially yours

J. A. Higgons

My kindest regards to my friends

Jan 27/37

To the Members of Central Presbyterian
Church and Sunday School of Newark N. J.
Dear friends

Greeting and heartiest Congratulations
Mrs Higgins that I rejoice with you in the
great work you are doing.

Distance prevents our saying this in person
& it is difficult to put in cold words
all we would express -

For 100 years you have been God's
messenger, heralding his Kingdom and
proclaiming His truth and righteousness
and preaching salvation through faith
in His Son our Lord Jesus Christ -

May God's power continue to work thro'
you and His Kingdom be enlarged
thro' your efforts - Our earnest prayers
are offered for your support -
We remember with great pleasure

REV. JOHN AFFORD HIGGONS, D. D.
CYNWYD, PA.

the years we were permitted to work
with you and treasure the friendships
granted us at that time. Our hearts
are grateful for that blessing -
As the years come & go may all that
is best fall to your lot and
your glorious work continue -

Most Sincerely and Cordially
Rev & Mrs John Afford Higgons

The Manor - Wyomissing Pres. Church
... Williamstown, Pa.
January 28, 1987.

The members of the Central Presbyterian Church
and Congregation, Newark, N.J.

Dear Friends :-

One hundred years of faithful, devoted service
for the Gospel and the Kingdom of God stands to
the credit of your beloved church. One truth
of that time nearly, it was my great privilege to
work with you as pastor and friend. I look
back upon those years as among the happiest
and most privileged of my life. I bless God
now, as I have in the past and as I shall al-
ways in the future for the rich experience which
was mine, to be with you, to know you and to
labor with you in the things of Christ.

You have recently suffered the loss of a
faithful and good man as pastor. He doubt-
less had in mind and heart, to share with
you the joys of this occasion. His absence
from you now will sadden much but his
fine contribution of service and friendship for
many years, together with a sweet and hal-
lowed memory, should gladden much more.
"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord -
they rest from their labors, but their works live
after them."

I now join with Mrs. Granger in extending
to you our sincere felicitations and congrat-
ulations upon your rounding out so suc-
cessfully, this considerable period of time

and usefulness. ² You have wrought a great
and good work and we are confident that the
future shall have in store for you, added respon-
sibilities and opportunities and a still larger degree
of usefulness.

Our love and prayers are with you individually
and collectively.

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you
all.

Philippians 3: 13-16 and 4: 4-8

Very Devotedly

Everest Grainger